
HOUSE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING THE AMERICAN DIABETES ASSOCIATION ON THE OCCASION
OF ITS 75TH ANNIVERSARY.

1 WHEREAS, the American Diabetes Association was established
2 in 1940 to promote diabetes awareness and prevention and to
3 advocate for the rights of people with diabetes; and
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5 WHEREAS, the American Diabetes Association has been
6 instrumental in encouraging proper disease management through
7 patient and provider education through its corporate and
8 community programs and services; and
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10 WHEREAS, nearly 130,000 people in Hawaii, approximately
11 11.2 percent of the population, have diabetes; an additional
12 442,000 people in Hawaii, or 41.5 percent of the population,
13 have prediabetes; this translates to over half a million
14 children and adults in the State of Hawaii who suffer from
15 prediabetes or diabetes; and
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17 WHEREAS, every year, an estimated 5,000 people in Hawaii
18 are diagnosed with diabetes; and
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20 WHEREAS, Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and other
21 Pacific Islanders have a higher risk of developing Type 2
22 Diabetes than people of other ethnicities; and
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24 WHEREAS, this pervasive disease costs Hawaii an estimated
25 \$1,500,000,000 per year; and
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27 WHEREAS, the American Diabetes Association is a uniting
28 force within the community, connecting individuals and families
29 facing the same obstacles and helping them to overcome the
30 challenges of living with diabetes; and



1 WHEREAS, the American Diabetes Association strives to
2 ensure that no one is ever discriminated against for having
3 diabetes by promoting understanding and collaboration in school
4 and workplace environments; and
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6 WHEREAS, March 24, 2015, marks the 27th Annual American
7 Diabetes Association Alert Day, a one day "wake up call" to take
8 the Diabetes Risk Test and help stem the growth of diabetes in
9 Hawaii; now, therefore,
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11 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
12 Twenty-eighth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
13 Session of 2015, that this body hereby congratulates the
14 AMERICAN DIABETES ASSOCIATION on the momentous occasion of its
15 75th Anniversary, and expresses to them its deep appreciation for
16 their devotion and commitment to improving the health of
17 Hawaii's residents by promoting the awareness and prevention of
18 diabetes.
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